NAL AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 640 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st November, 1985 and state:

(a) whether Government are taking any initiative for admission of Sahravi Arab Democratic Republic to the NAM and the United Nations, and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Training before selection of IAS Officers

1252. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Hindustan Times of November 6, 1985 captioned "Training should precede IAS "selection";

(b) whether Government have started implementing the suggestions made by the Prime Minister;

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to utilise the experience of successful IAS people in their field service;

(d) what is the present minimum field service stipulated for deputation to the Central Government;

(e) whether the rotation system as reported will be adopted shortly for IAS officers; and

(f) the measures being taken to select officers with good record of field service at district level?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government is examining various proposals to introduce changes in the methods of recruitment to the All India and Group 'A' Central Services including provision of training as part of recruitment process.

(c) to (f) Government have issued guidelines to the State Governments regarding career development of IAS officers including proper and effective utilisation of field experience acquired by these officers. These guidelines envisage the posting of officers to various areas for the first 10 years and to the extent possible in three or four identified areas thereafter so as to enable functional specialisation to be obtained. After examining the proposals referred to in the answer to part (a) and (b) Government may issue revised guidelines in this behalf. Three years of combined field experience for Central deputation at the level of Director/Deputy Secretary and two years for Under Secretary have been laid down.

Calculation of Dearness Allowance to Government Pensioners

1253. SHRI SUSHIL CHAND MOHUNTA:

SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government pensioners are not allowed house rent allowance, city compensatory allowance and leave travel concessions and other benefits admissible to serving personnel and that the dearness allowance granted to them is calculated on a rate different than that allowed to serving personnel;